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### **Massachusetts Scup Commercial Fishery to Close From August 5 - October 31, 2000**

The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries has projected that the 2000 commercial quota for the Massachusetts inshore scup fishery will be reached by Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. This means that beginning Saturday August 5 and through October 31, inclusive, commercial fishermen may not fish for, retain, possess, or land scup in waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth or in Massachusetts ports. Also Massachusetts dealers are prohibited from purchasing scup from fishermen during this period as well. Fishing will re-open on November 1 and the limit will be 4,000 lbs. Recreational fishermen are reminded that the recreational bag limit is 50 scup per angler and 200 per vessel, and sale is prohibited. DMF thanks you for your cooperation.

*For more information, contact DMF at 617-727-0394.*